

Local Democrats Have Double Responsibility

Registered Democrats in this 17th Congressional and 68th Assembly districts are faced with a double responsibility at the primary election next Tuesday. While theoretically they are merely selecting their own party candidates to the Federal House of Representatives and the State Legislature, they are in fact also deciding for all the voters of these districts which men are to go to Washington and Sacramento next term.

And the reason for this double responsibility is easy to understand. In both the Congressional and Assembly districts there are over three times as many registered Democrats as Republicans. Regardless of whom the Republicans may nominate or how intensive a campaign they may wage at the General Election in November, it is inconceivable that they can overcome such a wide margin of Democratic party votes.

So it is vital to the welfare of these districts that registered Democrats study carefully the qualifications and character of the men for whom they will vote at the primary next Tuesday. And it is even more important that ALL VOTE.

Because the work of newspaper men brings them in close contact with public officials and those seeking public office, we are perhaps in a better position to judge the various candidates than most citizens. During the past three months, The Herald has interviewed many candidates. In addition this newspaper like all others has been flooded with statements outlining the promises and purposes of the various candidates.

We have weighed them all in the light of good citizenship and sound government for ALL the people, and we have decided to vote for:

CHAS. W. McQUARRIE for CONGRESS

JAMES J. O'TOOLE for ASSEMBLY

While space does not permit us to review all the incidents and background data that has led us to recommend these two candidates, a few of the more important reasons for supporting McQuarrie and O'Toole can be stated.

Charles W. McQuarrie for five years has been the Congressional chairman (or field man) for the late Congressman Charles J. Colden. By this close association, McQuarrie not only acquired an intimate knowledge of the needs of the district but he learned how to get things done in Washington as he was a confidante of Colden in all his work. McQuarrie is progressive, young enough to go after hard problems with enthusiasm, yet mature enough to use sound judgment.

His record is clean. He doesn't make empty promises, but he can be depended upon to work untiringly for the good of this district. He has the confidence of both business and labor because they know him to be fair—and there can be no real recovery until employer and employee recognize their mutual problems and work together for the common good.

McQuarrie was war service officer of the American Legion Post No. 187 for ten years. He is not just a "campaign-buddy," but has been ACTIVE ever since the World War in all veteran work, especially in behalf of disabled veterans who know him as a true friend.

Chief opponents of McQuarrie at the Tuesday primary are Lee Geyer and Mrs. Clara N. Colden, widow of the late Congressman.

Geyer is a political opportunist who champions any and every cause in the hope of gathering a few votes. He recently was charged by the chairman of the American Legion Americanism committee as "carrying out the Communist party's objectives of breeding class hatred." Certainly no true American can favor Lee Geyer.

Mrs. Colden is a charming hostess with a pleasing personality, which won her much popularity among society groups at Washington. She has a keen mind and no doubt in some lines of public service, such as social work, she would be well qualified. However, the problems of this harbor district with its shipping and industrial life, its labor unrest, etc.—make the work of the Congressional representative a real man's size job with the background and understanding of a man's life. We have seen to our sorrow the regrettable ineptitude of Madame Perkins as Secretary of Labor to consider giving a woman a man's job.

Then too, Mrs. Colden has been amply provided for. As the widow of a member of Congress she received a cash gift of \$10,000 recently. In addition her late husband left an estate of well over \$100,000.

If this district owes anyone an obligation, it is to Charles W. McQuarrie, who worked without pay for the past five years in its interests, and even to the sacrifice of his own private practice as an optometrist with offices in Gardena.

James J. O'Toole, who is our choice for the State Assembly, is too well and favorably known to Torrance and Lomita voters to need much comment. He has been engaged in the dairy business here for the past 12 years and his wide popularity was attested when over a thousand voters wanted to sign his nomination petition.

He is reported to be leading the field in the entire 68th district and seems destined to be Torrance's first representative to Sacramento. You all love Jimmie—so why say more? Just be sure you get out and vote for him next Tuesday.

We also recommend Alexander E. Snider, Democratic candidate for State Controller. He's been a close friend of ours for many years, and aside from being a newspaper publisher at San Fernando we know of nothing, wrong with him. He's to be commended for his desire to seek more profitable fields of work, and we're for him 100 percent.

CORRIGAN WELCOMING IN BACKWARD TURN TO COUNTY

Almost anything can be expected to happen when Los Angeles county and 44 cities stage their mass welcome for Douglas Corrigan, intrepid "wrong way" flyer, in the Coliseum on the night of the day he returns home.

"A lot of things will be done backwards in Los Angeles on the day Corrigan arrives here," Paul Engstrom, Los Angeles county's official host who is in charge of the evening celebration, said today.

Among suggestions advanced are that the street cars

running to the Coliseum that night will have all the seats turned backwards, that spectators enter the huge stadium thru the exits and leave by the entrances, and that the master of ceremonies thank Corrigan for his speech before he makes it and introduce him after it is over.

Motion picture stars and executives are among those who have volunteered to do their part in making the big free show outdo any reception Corrigan has since his return from Ireland, Engstrom said.

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Jewelry Store Window Looted by Pane Smasher

For the third or fourth time in two years, one of the large plate glass windows at Howard's Jewelry store at 1503 Cabrillo was shattered early Monday morning and jewelry, silverware, clocks, wristwatches and cigarette lighters worth about \$353 scooped out of the display window.

The robber selected one of the windows of the entrance for his smashing foray. Previous burglars selected the front windows of the store, operated by Alden W. Smith, for their hand entry to the choice display of gold and silver merchandise.

From reports given police it is believed that the robbery occurred shortly after 6 o'clock when a newspaper delivery boy said he heard the sound of glass breaking in the vicinity about 4:30. Police officers on patrol said they did not observe the broken window on their 6 o'clock rounds.

A full description of the loot, which included a complete set of silverware, four ladies' rings, four wristwatches, clocks, cigar cases, lockets and other pieces of jewelry was given police by the store owner within a few hours after the robbery was discovered for transmission to the Los Angeles pawn shop detail.

Smith carries burglary insurance on his window displays as well as stock within the store.

ANNEX NOTICE SAID FILED

Formal notice that residents and property owners in Clifton Heights between Torrance and Redondo Beach desire to annex to the city of Redondo was conveyed to the board of supervisors this week. Clerks in the office of the board said it was the first annexation notice to reach the board this year.

Reasons advanced for desiring to annex to Redondo include "better building restrictions and better zoning regulations, increased development, free collection and disposal of garbage and trash, participation in Redondo city election, many many in Clifton Heights residents are in business there, free library cards, extended postal service and better fire and police protection."

Week's Building Totals \$45,107; Two New Homes

Building permits issued from the city engineer's office during the past week totaled \$45,107 making the August new construction figure \$225,607 and the year to date \$2,695,023. In addition to six permits for new oil derricks in the South Torrance field (locations reported in story elsewhere about activities in that busy sector of the city), the building records showed the following new construction under way this week:

DeKalb Spurlin is stating a four-room frame house and garage at 803 Annapolis, \$2,200; R. E. Sprout of Lomita is building a five-room frame house and double garage at 1327 Beech, \$4,200. The General Petroleum corporation is erecting a 3,000-barrel welded tank costing \$3,900 and demolishing two steel tanks of 3,000 and 2,250 barrel capacity at a cost of \$225.

Loan From Water Dept. Authorized

City Treasurer Mrs. Harriett Leach was authorized to borrow \$50,000 from the Municipal Water District at the rate of three percent for the city's general fund by action of the city council Tuesday night.

The transaction was regarded as a routine use of the water district funds which are amply secured by the incoming tax collections.

City and Redondo to Pay for Light

Because the county has claimed that it has no funds to pay a third of the cost, Torrance and Redondo will split the expense of installing and maintaining a sodium vapor light at the intersection of 182nd street and Hawthorne avenue. The city agreed Tuesday night to the 50-50 proposition, which will cost Torrance about \$2.75 per month.

Expect Record Vote in Tuesday Primaries

Next Tuesday when California voters march to the polls to X their ballots for candidates from U. S. Senator and Governor on down the list of state, Congressional, Legislative, county and township officers, 4,687 Torrance electors are qualified to participate in the primaries.

Because the local registration is the highest on record and because of the keen interest in the campaign, the turn-out of voters here is expected to set a new high. Lomita also has the greatest number of electors in its history—3,290. The polls—13 of them in Torrance, eight in Lomita and two in Palos Verdes Estates—will open next Tuesday at 6 a. m., and close at 7 p. m.

Ballots will contain the names of two local candidates—James J. O'Toole, Madrid avenue milk retailer, seeking the Democratic state assembly nomination, and Torrance C. Welch, candidate for election as Justice of the Peace, No. 1. Local residents seeking places on county central committees are: Democratic—Albert Isen, Neil J. McConlogue and Harry S. Minor; Republican—J. C. Smith.

Free Rides to Polls

Every effort will be made by the local American Legion post to get a record number of voters to the polls Tuesday, Commander Charles Myers said today. Headquarters for free transportation service to and from the precinct centers will be established at his business office and anyone may ride in comfort to the polls if they phone Myers at 195.

The Legionnaires have arranged to have a car located in every precinct to pick up voters and during the afternoon of election day it is planned to conduct a house-to-house canvass of the city to urge electors to do their duty.

"We don't care how any one votes," Myers said. "The Legion is acting as a non-partisan, non-political body in this effort. Several years ago our post conducted a similar campaign and Torrance was among the top 10 cities for high percentage of vote cast for that election. This service is part of the Legion's Americanism and civic betterment program."

The vote registration by parties in Torrance and Lomita:

Party	Torrance	Lomita
Democrat	3,155	2,198
Republican	1,290	949
Township	44	4
Prohibition	12	4
Socialist	10	10
Progressive	7	2
Commonwealth	2	0
Communist	1	1
Dec. State	166	121
TOTAL	4,687	3,290

Woman Driver Cited After Crash

An automobile accident at the intersection of Hawthorne avenue and Highway 101, scene of many a crash, several fatalities Saturday afternoon resulted in no injuries to people but two cars were damaged and the driver of one was given a court citation for asserted failure to observe the Hawthorne boulevard stop.

Mrs. Laura B. Everhart of Los Angeles received the "ticket." She is reported to have struck the front of a car being driven west on the highway by Anthony M. Proden, Jr., of Redondo Beach. Mrs. Everhart was northbound on Hawthorne.

NEW SCHOOL HEAD

Raymond E. Pollich will succeed John H. Whitley, resigned, as principal of Gardena high school next month.

Women Taking Keen Interest in Forthcoming Election

More women than men are registered for the primary election next Tuesday in 19 of the 44 cities of the county, according to tabulations released this week by W. M. Kerr, registrar of voters.

Cities in which women exceed the men are Alhambra, Beverly Hills, Claremont, Covina, Glendale, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, La Verne, Long Beach, Manhattan Beach, Monrovia, Pasadena, Pomona, San Marino, Santa Monica, Sierra Madre, South Pasadena, West Covina and Whittier.

Throughout the 44 cities of the county, a total of 834,888 men and 634,260 women are registered for the forthcoming primary two weeks hence.

Narbonne Coach Is Transferred



BEN COMRADA
... no longer Marine threat

An announcement was made this week by the Los Angeles board of education that was expected here ever since it became known that Narbonne high was to have a new principal. The board stated that Ben Comrada, veteran Narbonne coach and vice-principal for the past two years, was being transferred to the vice-principalship of Stevenson Junior high school on the east side of Los Angeles.

Comrada's Gaucho grid and track teams have always been threats in Marine league competition and he coached more championship football machines than any other mentor in the league. His successor coach has not been revealed. Miss Sara F. Wolverson, who was on a leave of absence last year from Los Angeles high, will become vice-principal at Narbonne under Principal John Abbott.

Here in Torrance, with two coaching positions open, Principal Tom Elson has not determined who will fill the jobs held last term by Roy Cochran and Bert Merrill. He said this week that he expected to make final selections within a week or 10 days. The new school term will begin Monday, Sept. 12.

Joint Ceremonies Attended by 500

Lovely floral display and fine drill team work of the crack Maywood post drill team made the joint installation ceremony of Bert S. Crossland American Legion Post No. 170 and its Auxiliary one of outstanding beauty Tuesday night. The ceremonies, held in the Civic Auditorium, were attended by some 500 persons.

Charles Walters, 19th District commander, assisted by the district ritualistic team, composed of past district and post commanders, installed Charles Myers and his staff of officers for the Legion. Mrs. Lucille Lewellen, 19th District president, assisted by Maywood ritualistic team, seated Fran Wilkes and her staff of officers for the Auxiliary.

Grant Barikull, retiring commander, and Audie Modglin, retiring president, were highly commended for the splendid records each had achieved in their respective offices during the past year. Each was presented with a past officers pin as was Thomas Babbitt, retiring adjutant of the Legion, and Velora Murphy, retiring secretary of the Auxiliary.

Many Legion and Auxiliary officials from various sections of the Southland with representatives from the various units of the District were present during the evening. At the close of installation Graff's Inglewood orchestra furnished music for dancing.

Palos Verdes Grass Fire Sweeps Hill

A grass fire, believed to have been started by some boys hiking down the hill, swept a large Palos Verdes hillside off Los Codona street above WALTERIA Tuesday before it was finally brought under control by the combined efforts of the WALTERIA volunteer firemen, some of the central station firemen and a state forestry crew.

The blaze did no damage. The fire-fighters were greatly hampered because they could not get trucks to the scene of the fire and had to pack in their water and other equipment.

'Torrance-On-the-Air' Gala Celebration Planned Here for KNX Dedication

Civic, business and social leaders of Torrance have joined as hosts for a banquet honoring radio station KNX and the Columbia Broadcasting System Sept. 16, during which formal dedication of the new KNX transmitter will be made.

LOMITA WELL WATCHED FOR OIL ADVANCE

With chief interest focused on Blue Bell Oil's Lomita No. 1 project located one-half mile south of the proven South Torrance-Lomita field and operators continuing to pack in derricks on nearly every square foot of ground available in the area, the petroleum procession continued to advance this week even over reports of abandonments and falling production.

The Blue Bell well on 21st street in Lomita territory is regarded as the bell-wether of a flock that will swarm into additional territory if a producer is delivered. However if the B. B. becomes a duster, observers predict a decline in drilling activity. The project is drilling ahead of 5,010 feet in shale with occasional streaks of oil sand.

When Young and Bryan abandoned their Lomita No. 1 on 237th about two blocks east of Pennsylvania after finding only gray sand to present depth of 5,025 feet, a number of operators hazarded the opinion this week that the dry hole defined the southerly limits of activity. The Blue Bell is said to be about the only hope for extension now. The outpost well, drilling at 4,900 feet had some hard going trying to get thru hard shell formation this week. The strata is said to be similar to that found in the D and B Oil's discovery well in the Harbor City-Lomita extension area.

Wells Sued Started Another fight appeared on the oil horizon as title to the leasehold of the entire 90 acres in the Lomita field was placed at stake in a suit filed late last week in Long Beach Superior Court by Louis Dulapai, Joe Baroldi and F. E. Fairfield to quiet title to two acres.

The defendants in this suit are the D and B Oil, which brought in the discovery well; the Capital company, a subsidiary of the Bank of America; Bank of America and others. The complaint asserts that Dallapi and Baroldi, as owners, leased the two acres to Fairfield. The same two acres were leased by the Capital company along with the 88 other acres to other oil companies.

The lease by the Capital company was based on a reservation in a deed giving it the right to lease for gas and oil. The plaintiffs allege that the reservation is void as it is a restraint on the right of the owners to alienate the fee title. The plaintiffs ask the court to adjudicate the reservation void and give clear title to Dallapi and Baroldi. Should the petition be granted similar actions as to the other 88 acres could be brought, it is said.

Wells Near Completion Other oil developments of the (Continued on Page 2-A)

The affair will be held in the Civic Auditorium, where a remote pickup will be established to broadcast the program from 9:30 to 10 p. m., over KNX and stations of the Columbia Pacific network.

Lud Gluskin's orchestra is preparing special arrangements for the occasion, at which Bill Goodwin will act as master of ceremony, and from Columbia Square in Hollywood will come Columbia's stars to participate. Charles Vanda, CBS program director for the Pacific Coast, will announce names and details of the show later.

Souvenir Edition Arrangements have been made to conduct those who attend the banquet on an inspection tour of the new KNX transmitter plant at Columbia Park, Hawthorne avenue at 190th street, following the program.

The celebration-dinner-broadcast will be informal with the dinner starting at 7 o'clock. Tickets will be on sale Monday, Aug. 29, at the Chamber of Commerce at \$1.50 each. Because the dining capacity of the Auditorium is limited to 750, early purchase of tickets is recommended. The sale will end Sept. 10.

On Thursday, Sept. 15, the day before the dedication ceremonies, The Herald will issue a souvenir edition dedicated to the new transmitter station in particular and Torrance industries, people and institutions in general. This edition, printed in colors and in magazine style, will be the largest issue The Herald has ever published. More than 10,000 copies will be printed.

L. J. Gilmeister is chairman of the committee in charge of the affair. Other committeemen are Mayor William H. Tolson, Councilmen James Hitchcock and Thomas McGuire, Alden W. Smith, George J. Peckham, Grover C. Whyte and A. H. Barlett, who is committee treasurer. The committee headquarters are in the Chamber of Commerce building.

D. W. Thornburgh, CBS vice-president in charge of Pacific Coast, has recently accepted the hospitable invitation of the Torrance civic leaders and suggested that the entire gathering later visit the new transmitter as guests of the KNX personnel.

"With the new Torrance transmitter in operation," Thornburgh said, "KNX will occupy an unique position in radio. KNX will then be completely new in every physical respect from the foundations of its studios at Columbia Square in Hollywood to the 490-foot tip of the KNX transmitter in Columbia Park at Torrance. The most efficient equipment contrived by modern science is installed throughout."

FIND STRIPPED CAR A stripped sedan was found Sunday in a field off Beryl street in the northwest part of the city, according to police. It was registered to a Los Angeles man who was notified.

INCORPORATION OF P. V. AREA FOUGHT BY WILL H. KINDIG

Objections to the name of the Palos Verdes Estates, Inc., appearing on the petition filed with the board of supervisors seeking incorporation of a section of the area as a city of the sixth class have been filed with the board by Will H. Kindig, owner of considerable property in the area.

Kindig said he had been informed that the land company did not in reality own much of the property, claiming that their holdings had been "acquired by the state some years ago." The supervisors have forwarded the petitions to County Surveyor Alfred Jones for checking, however, and the legal owner of each parcel of land will be determined when the petitions are checked for their sufficiency.

Kindig raised a second objection to the petitions for the proposed incorporation, claiming that at least 25 percent of the total number of property owners in the area it is proposed to incorporate must sign the petitions in order for them to be considered by the supervisors. Deputy County Counsel Claude McFadden is writing an extended legal opinion in answer to more than a score of questions raised by the county surveyor, in passing on the validity of the form of the petitions and the signatures. This opinion will be awaited by the supervisors before taking the next step, which would be to call a public hearing on the proposed boundaries, if the petition is found sufficient. Examination of the statutes has been disclosed that new amendments were made to the incorporation act by the 1933 state legislature, which set up more strict requirements, according to county attorneys.